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JUBILEE—Jordan Roads.

The importance of the proposed scheme, however, justifies a brief review of the suggestions which have been put forward in the past. Schemes of harbour development submitted as long ago as 1923 provided for the provision of ferries capable of carrying lorries and motors, these to run from Jordan Road, Kowloon, to Jubilee Road, Hongkong. The then Assistant Colonial Secretary stated that it was intended to provide for large vessels capable of carrying at least ten lorries each. He personally favoured the transit of passengers free on such a ferry as he thought it was to the public interest to have a free ferry just as one had a free road.

The scheme as advanced originally (and it is believed that the recommendations then put forward still stand) provided for the construction of a wharf at each end with concourse area, to avoid a great congregation of rishas waiting to take passengers from one wharf to another. A passenger would be able to go from one ferry to another without leaving the wharf. The Jubilee Street site had been chosen as the Chinese did not wish to go further East than Jubilee Street; neither was it desirable to bring lorries close to the big office buildings in the centre of the town. Jordan Road had been chosen as the principal development of the district was in that vicinity. Kowloon Point had been suggested but this was a mile from Yaumati and the immense development of Chinese traffic had to be taken into consideration.

Type of Ferries.

The Chairman of the Chamber of Commerce Shipping Committee which considered the scheme said that the idea he had was to provide ferries along the following lines:

"The type of ferries suitable would be equal-ended vessels of about 150 feet long by 40 feet beam, driven by steam or possibly motors and having a speed to give an eight to ten minutes' service. Instead of the present system of side berthing they should berth end-on in an entrance of the same form as the vessel. On the lower deck accommodation should be provided for 12 to 16 motor vehicles (passenger, truck or ambulance) with a barricade on each side and the remaining space on deck would carry about 250 passengers when the full complement of cars was carried. The upper deck would accommodate about 300 passengers with a good degree of covered-in space for bad weather."

The lorries mentioned presumably refer to the transport of goods across the harbour, the provision of facilities for which would obviate a good deal of wasteful handling.

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The closing rate of the dollar on demand to-day was 2/1 15/16

RENTS POSITION.

Local Facts: Sequel to Decontrol.

CHANGES SINCE JULY 1.

Peculiarities of Restriction Problem.

By now it is possible to ascertain the extent of changes in local rentals, as a result of decontrol on July 1.

A period has elapsed in which practically all owners who wanted to send out notices have been able to do so. Hitherto landlords were outlawed from raising rents, generally speaking, and from demanding possession of premises within the scope of the Restriction Ordinance.

A fairly reliable estimate is that just over half, or under, of property in the Colony has been affected. This figure is given according to numbers of buildings (and is not based on values).

On the other hand, the "China Mail" has received concrete evidence of the owners of a block of tenements in town refusing a series of tempting offers.

Suburban Advantages.

Rents on these houses are the same as ten years ago, leave alone the "standard amount" at the end of 1920. The 15 per cent. increase permitted last year was not availed of. Old tenants remain to-day in spite of suggestions, by "competitors" to pay more for occupation.

There has been a gradual migration from the crowded central district to what may be called the suburbs.

Communications are such to-day that there is little disadvantage in living out in the "districts." At Shambushipo and elsewhere, hitherto empty flats are being occupied by those unable to bear the strain of higher rents in the city. These moving tenants may or may not appreciate the wider streets and more modern surroundings in the recently developed area.

Shops and Cubicles.

Kennedy Town and the more remote parts of Wanchai have also come in for favourable consideration.

Not so with that section of the business community known as the shopkeepers. To retain custom, they must needs stay where they have built up their establishment. Shops in the more popular areas are not getting bigger turnovers in these times but the landlords have raised rents in a good many instances, only in judicious proportion.

Then again there is one curious factor which baffles investigation. It is the large number of vacant cubicles in the city—that is, large in ratio to the number of empty flats and the almost entire absence of empty houses.

Chinese Look to K.R.A. It has been generally conceded that "investor" landlords have been reasonable. Increases of rent that come within the category of unreasonable are attributed to speculators who were caught by the stump.

Mortgagors of house property have also been blamed for putting up rents here and there, to ensure a safe return on outlay in loans.

Curiously, great many Chinese tenants are looking to the Kowloon Residents' Association for a lead in action towards retrieving control or semi-control.

A Fair Rents Board is accepted as the best solution, same to be based on the working of similar tribunals in the Far East rather than those of further parts of the world.

Middleman Evil. The Residents' Protective Association—essentially Chinese—has done little in public after that last petition. A committee meeting is contemplated but what policy can they adopt? In the eyes of Chinese confidence has rather been lost through the real tenant not being separated from the principal tenant.

The last named has come in again for criticism. Where owners have notified increases, principal tenants have in turn, it is alleged, tacked on their own percentage to the amount paid by the sub-tenant.

In view of the Government's resilience, and the facts as recorded above, it is still a moot question as to whether restriction is still desirable, in the best interests, to-day.

TYphoon Coming?

ANOTHER FORMING OUT IN PACIFIC.

COMING TOWARDS COAST.

This morning, another typhoon was "spotted," this one being likely to cause bad weather in the neighbourhood of Hongkong, if no worse.

It is still out in the Pacific, but the direction is not changed. It will strike the coast to the south-west of Hongkong. But unless it fills up or swerves northwards then bad weather by Monday is not improbable.

The position given at 10.45 a.m. was Lat. 19° N., Long. 125° E. (within 120 miles). This is about 600 miles from Hongkong.

Meanwhile the typhoon near Hainan Island has gone to the N.W. and is filling-up. There is no news about the one which re-turned eastwards near Formosa.

For the first part of the week-end, at any rate, there is favourable forecast.

The noon to-morrow, the prediction is: S.E. or variable winds, moderate to light; fine.

At 10.50 a.m. the Observatory reported:

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CHARGE ON COLONY.

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Whereas the Governor on behalf of the Government of the Colony of Hongkong has recently borrowed certain moneys for the purpose of making loans on security approved by him or under his authority to merchants and others in the Colony during a certain period of financial stringency;

And whereas although the demand for such loans has now practically ceased it is possible that the Governor on behalf of the Government of the Colony of Hongkong may desire to borrow certain other moneys for the said purpose:

And whereas it is desirable that any principal moneys so borrowed or to be borrowed and the interest thereon shall be charged upon the general revenue and assets of the Colony:

Be it therefore enacted by the Governor of Hongkong, with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council thereof, as follows:

IN HONGKONG FOR KEEPS.



No, the figure on the right is not Horseshoe Collins, with his bit of the Oval wicket. It is one of the S.D. coolies in the Colony (whose name is Legion), with the "Ashes" and unmythical urn.

nearly stationary from Hongkong to Chefoo.

The typhoon is filling up to the north of Hongkong.

Another has formed to the east of the Balintang Channel. It appears to be moving Westwards.

LOCAL KIDNAPPERS.

There was another armed robbery at 1 a.m. on Friday night, in which seven men, who had four revolvers and a mauser pistol between them, entered a house at Shum Wat Village, at Lan Tau Island, and after ransacking the house, kidnapped a girl 16 years of age.

The robbers threatened the occupants with their weapons and bound their hands and feet with a rope.

After staying two hours in the house, the robbers left with \$200 in cash, three pairs of gold rattan bangles, and thirty articles of clothing.

The robbers, not contented with this, kidnapped the girl who was later released near the Chu Tam Tai, O, Lantau Island.

The girl released her companions when she returned home, and reported the case to the police at Tai O.

A clerk employed by Messrs. Kwon Hing was charged at the Central Magistracy this morning with embezzling \$264. Six months ago the prisoner embezzled the sum of \$410.90 for which he was forgiven. He was sentenced to three months' hard labour.

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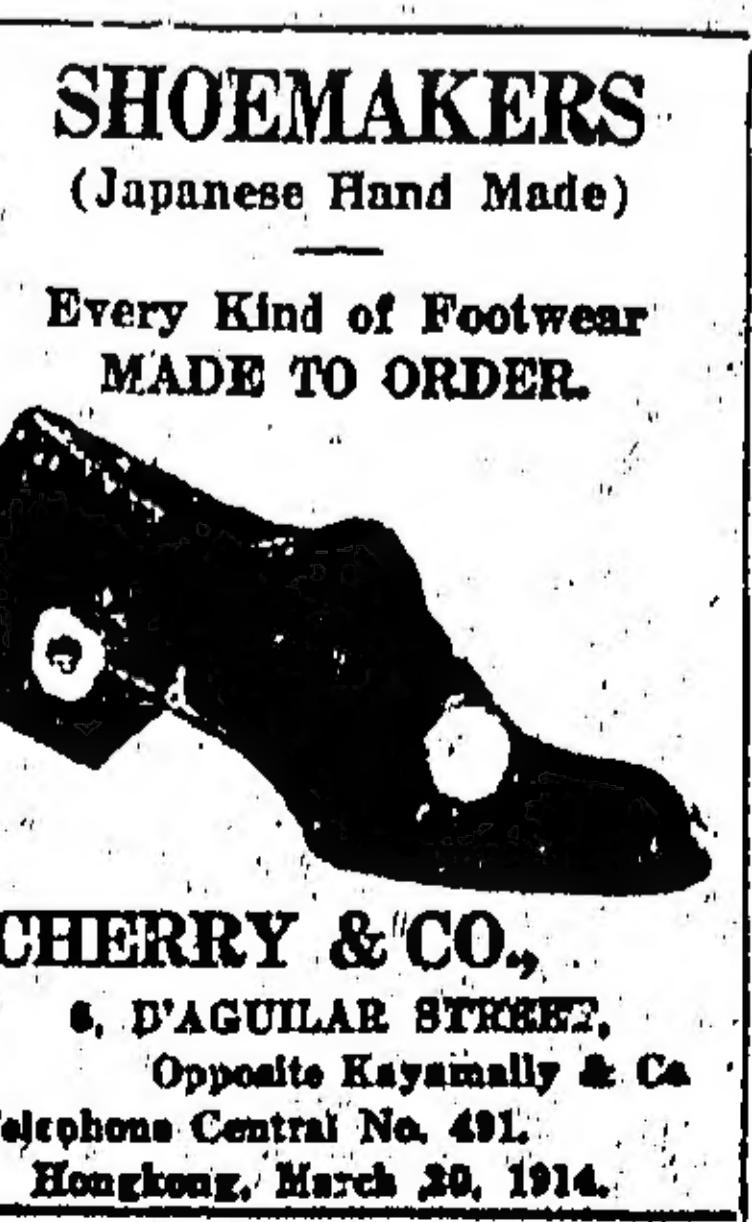
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A "RED" EVIL.
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CAUSE OF UNREST.

BY K. T. Leung.

The Japanese pay great attention to the value of religion and especially take Buddhism as their national religion. The so-called new citizens of modern China who have adopted the doctrines of communism particularly prohibit, in places under their power, the preaching of any religion which they think may be an obstacle to the progress of communism. But is not every religion intended to bring peace among the human race?

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Fortunately, many thinking Chinese are trying every effort to maintain the existence of these religions to avoid further troubles. In spite of the strict prohibition by "Red" agitators, sages are still preaching in nearly every town all over China Proper. Principally, their teachings extend to Mortality, Secret of Creation, Mental Torment, and the after-life World, which are beyond the scope of elementary science, but can be disclosed by the "true mind" of human beings.

ROBBERY AVERTED.

SEQUEL TO NIGHT VIGIL
BY POLICE.

PRISONERS SENTENCED.

As a sequel to an evening's vigil by the police three men arrested outside a house in respect of which information had been received that robbery was contemplated, appeared at the Kowloon Magistrate yesterday afternoon charged with the possession of a loaded pistol, three daggers and other instruments fit for an unlawful purpose. The "instruments" referred to consisted of a dirk alighted by the Police to fit for stabbing victims, two torches and some electric crackers. The latter it was suggested, were to be used by the robbers, if necessary, for scaring people as the revolver found was defective.

Police evidence was to the effect that information was received that a robbery had been planned at a house at Tai Wan, to which spot the police went, concealing themselves near the roadway. The prisoners, who advanced towards the spot in single file about a quarter to eleven were taken by surprise. Another member of the party escaped.

Two of the prisoners admitted possession of certain of the articles mentioned in the charge but maintained they were for innocent purposes. One stated that the revolver had been given him by a friend, that the torch was to light him on his way home, the dirk for his own use and the crackers for display purposes. The other said that the dagger found in his possession was for the purpose of digging up mephisto roots.

The third prisoner denied all knowledge of the weapons and said he was not acquainted with the other two prisoners. He was on his way to see a friend and asked the Magistrate's permission to call his friend.

The first two prisoners were sentenced to three years hard labour on the first charge and an additional year on the second count. The third prisoner was remanded until next Friday for his friend to be called.

ARMS POSSESSION.

At the same sitting of the Magistrate a young Chinese residing at an unnumbered house in Bates Street, was sentenced to three years' hard labour for being in possession of two fully loaded revolvers which were found in his cubicle. The defendant's mother, who is the principal tenant of the floor, was also charged, but was acquitted.

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LEAVE TO APPEAL.

PUISEN JUDGES CAFE CASE
JUDGMENT.

THE TAYLORS' CASE.

Leave to appeal from the recent decision of Mr. Justice Wood that Mr. and Mrs. Taylor, formerly employed at the Cafe Parisien, were not entitled to damages for wrongful dismissal, was granted at the Supreme Court yesterday on the application of Mr. F. C. Jenkin (instructed by Mr. M. M. Watson).

The application was heard by Sir H. C. Gollan (Chief Justice) and Mr. Justice Wood. Mr. Jenkin dealt with the judgment as delivered by Mr. Justice Wood. His Honour had held that any words used by plaintiffs were to be interpreted "Go if you like" and as Mr. and Mrs. Taylor had afterwards left that the revision of the contract was mutual. A scrutiny of His Honour's notes, however, showed that what they said was to be found only very briefly in the evidence. All that Madame Flint said in her narrative of what took place was "I told her to tell her husband to go and rest." That was all he could find of what was said by the employers.

This claimed counsel could not be interpreted as an invitation to Mr. and Mrs. Taylor to leave the employment of the cafe if they desired. Then there was the evidence of Mr. Cotton who was employed as assistant manager. One would have thought it would have been, therefore, in his interests to support his employer's case, but in fact he did not do so. He states that Durand told Mrs. Taylor to "get out." Mrs. Taylor replied, "Not without a letter" and Durand said, "Well, to-morrow morning."

Another point was that on the pleadings in the Summary Court it was the claim of both parties that there had been wrong done by the other side. As he (counsel) read the records of the proceedings the evidence left him unable to find in any shape or form any indication of mutuality on that fatal night. The parties did not put up any case of that kind. He submitted the Puisne Judge misdirected himself in considering that it was open to him as an issue in the case that the parties had ended relations with each other by common agreement.

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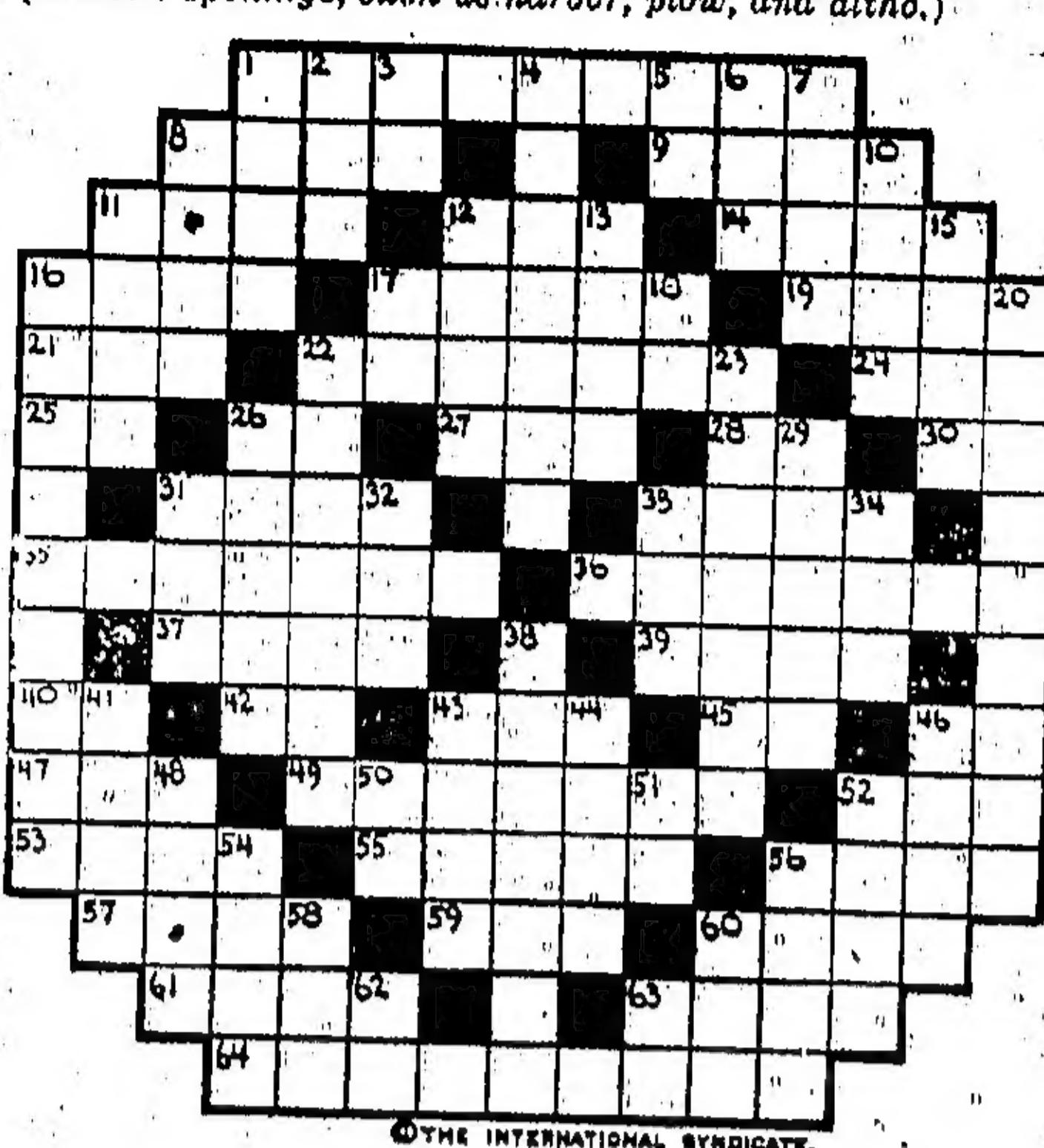
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OUR CROSS-WORD PUZZLE.

(This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert phonetic speller, such as harbor, plow, and altho.)



HORIZONTAL (Cont.)
1-Essential
8-Intensity
9-A beverage
11-Vessel
12-Sheep ery
14-Dart
15-The utmost
17-Prithistoric weapon
18-Produced with toll
21-An American Indian
tribe
22-Inseparable
24-A garland (Hawaiian)
25-Tantum (chem.
sym.)
26-Buffet. Of
27-Boy's name
28-Each (abbr.)
30-Dean of the Faculty
(abbr.)
VERTICAL (Cont.)
16-Meeting close to
(abbr.)
18-Have existence
19-Diminutive suffi.
20-Pays
22-A color
23-Mechanical water
device
25-Impure products from
smelted copper
26-Do not (collaq.)
27-Thousandth part of
one
28-Name
29-Name
30-Care
31-To the lee side
33-Point of compass
35-Bring into bondage
36-Encourage
37-Lucid
39-Executes
40-Cæsar (abbr.)
42-Point of compass
43-Combining form.
Air
13-Partole
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The extraordinary change that is coming over world-travel conditions, and the ease with which a journey of 3,000 miles can be made as well as a journey of 30 miles, is very strikingly illustrated in the latest enterprise of the American Merchant Lines, Runciman (London), Ltd., of 52, Leadenhall-street, E.C.3.

Realising the desire of all sorts of people, in all sorts of conditions, to enjoy cheap and comfortable ocean travel, this company has just opened a new passenger service between Tilbury and New York. The vessels are not of the luxury class, they are not ocean giants, only 74 passengers are accommodated on each ship; but the fare to New York is only £20 12s., and for the very intimate and comfortable quarters offered, it is the cheapest Atlantic ticket obtainable. All the cabins are on the upper decks, there is one class only, and this is known as "tourist cabin."

Up to the present the fleet of the American Merchant Lines has been busy with mails and cargo, and about one dozen privileged passengers were carried on each trip. But the speed and cheapness appealed so much to travellers for a reciprocal arrangement for the exemption of shipping from double taxation between Great Britain and the Netherlands, in accordance with Sect. 13 of the British Finance Act, 1923. As under Dutch law British and foreign vessels have not been subject to taxation the way was clear from the start for such an arrangement.

The agreement, however, only applies to Holland itself, and in the Dutch East Indies demands are, it is understood, being made on British shipowners for taxation returns, including, in some cases, some vexatious requests for information which is really outside the immediate scope of the taxation authorities' purpose, and, therefore involves the principle of disclosure of trade information.

It is to be hoped that the very satisfactory arrangement which has been concluded between Great Britain and Holland will be the prelude to an adjustment of the question in the Dutch East Indies, which holds a very special appeal.

Most of the cabins have three berths. There are some with two berths. The rates vary from £20 12s. to £23 16s. and private berths are attached to most of the cabins. The sailings are arranged for every Friday, from London, and each ship is an oil-burner, turbine-driven.

OIL-FIRING APPLIANCES.

Among the distinctive features of four new motorships which are being built by Messrs. Harland and Wolff, Ltd., at Belfast, is a system of oil-firing appliances for the auxiliary boilers, for which Messrs. Kermode's, Ltd., of Liverpool, are responsible. The boilers themselves are being supplied by Messrs. Cochrane and Co., Annan, and the system thus adopted should prove, especially during the present shortage of coal, a real advantage.

In this connection, it is of especial interest to note that Kermode's, Ltd., are engaged in considerable work in the installation of emergency outfitts, rendered necessary by reason of the coal strike, and the occasion affords an opportunity of comparing, very much to the advantage of oil, the prices of this heating medium and German or other foreign coal.

Among other jobs which they have done, or are doing, may be mentioned the "Daily Mail's" new office at Manchester; and the new London office, both of which have central heating schemes, the new establishment in London of Messrs. Thomas Cook and Sons, tourist agents, and six new motorships which are being built by Messrs. Doxford and Co., Ltd., Sunderland.

Halifax, Nova Scotia, Aug. 11.—It is believed here that the entire crew of twenty-six aboard the schooner "Sylvia Mosher" perished in the wreck of the vessel which has been missing since the hurricane of last Saturday. Fragments of the schooner have been found on Sable Island.

A Cairo message reads: The Egyptian flag will soon appear on the Seven Seas. The Government has announced its intention to purchase this summer two steamers, which will form the nucleus of the Egyptian merchant marine. The social commission charged with the purchase has received numerous offers, which have been forwarded to the Minister of Communication and a staff of technical experts for consideration.

River boat officers down from Hankow state that the depth of water by the Hankow Bund is over 48 feet, higher than it has been for a quarter of a century. The floods, it seems, continue and navigation is still extremely difficult owing to the fact that it is impossible to tell where are the river banks. For miles down from Hankow the country is flooded, and all that can be seen of innumerable villages are the roofs of the houses just protruding from the water.

Meanwhile, strange to relate, Hankow is cooler than Shanghai, even though it is so far inland and so much further south. Doubtless the heavy rains account for this.

SIR A. H. ROSTRON.

APPOINTED TO THE
BERENGARIA.

After having been in command

of the "Cunarder Mauretania" for 11 years, Captain Sir A. H. Rostron, who has been invested with the honour of knighthood, has been promoted to the charge of the "Berengaria," in succession to Captain Irvine, who has been unwell for some time.

Captain Ernest Diggle will take command of the "Mauretania" on her next trip, after having been temporarily in command of the "Berengaria."

Captain Britten, of the "Laconia," is taking command of the "Mauretania" during the present trip, and her departure from Southampton was witnessed by Captain Rostron, for whom the crew raised a succession of cheers when the vessel left the quayside.

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|------------|--------|---------------------|--|
| KALYAN | 9,144 | 23rd Aug. 4 p.m. | Port Sudan, M'iles, C'blane, London & Antwerp |
| MACEDONIA | 11,089 | 4th Sept. Noon | Marseilles & London |
| NAGPORE | 5,283 | 10th Sept. | M'iles, L'don, H'burg, R'dam, Antwerp & Hull |
| KIDDERPORE | 5,334 | 16th Sept. | S'pore, Penang, Colombo & Bombay |
| MALWA | 10,941 | 18th Sept. | Marseilles and London |
| KASHGAR | 9,005 | 2nd Oct. | Marseilles, London, Antwerp & Hull |
| MOREA | 10,918 | 16th Oct. | Marseilles & London |
| KHYBER | 9,114 | 30th Oct. | Marseilles, London & Antwerp |
| MANTUA | 10,902 | 13th Nov. | Marseilles and London |
| DIVANHA | 8,156 | 25th Nov. | S'pore, Penang, Colombo & Bombay |
| KARMALA | 9,123 | 27th Nov. | Marseilles, London, & Antwerp |
| MACEDONIA | 11,089 | 11th Dec. | Marseilles and London |
| DELTA | 8,097 | 23rd Dec. | S'pore, Penang, Colombo & Bombay |
| KHIVA | 9,135 | 25th Dec. | Marseilles, London & Antwerp |
| MALWA | 10,941 | 8th Jan. | Marseilles, London and London |
| KALYAN | 9,114 | 22nd Jan. | Marseilles, London & Antwerp |
| MOREA | 10,918 | 5th Feb. | Marseilles, London and London |
| KASHGAR | 9,006 | 19th Feb. | Marseilles, London and London |
| MANTUA | 10,902 | 5th March | Marseilles and London |
| MONGOLIA | 16,564 | 19th March | Marseilles and London |
| MACEDONIA | 11,120 | 2nd April | Marseilles and London |
| KARMALA | 9,128 | 16th April | Marseilles and London |
| MALWA | 10,941 | 30th April | Marseilles and London |

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|---------|--------|------------|------------------------------|
| TAKADA | 6,649 | 8th Sept. | Singapore, Penang & Calcutta |
| SANTHIA | 7,754 | 12th Sept. | Singapore, Penang & Calcutta |
| TILAWA | 10,000 | 20th Sept. | Singapore, Penang & Calcutta |
| TALAMBA | 8,018 | 26th Sept. | Singapore, Penang & Calcutta |
| SHIRALA | 7,841 | 3rd Oct. | Singapore, Penang & Calcutta |

EASTERN & AUSTRALIAN SAILINGS (South)

| | | | |
|------------|-------|-----------|---|
| TANDA | 6,556 | 27th Aug. | Manila, Kolumbugan, Sandakan, Thursday Island, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney, & Melbourne. |
| ST. ALBANS | 4,500 | 1st Oct. | " |
| ARAFURA | 6,000 | 29th Oct. | Calls at Kolumbugan. |

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SAILINGS TO SHANGHAI & JAPAN

| | | | |
|------------|--------|---------------------|------------------------------------|
| SANTHIA | 7,754 | 24th Aug. 6 a.m. | Anoy, Moji, Yokohama, Kobe & Osaka |
| TILAWA | 10,000 | 24th Aug. | Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Yokohama |
| NELORE | 8,853 | 3rd Sept. | Shanghai, Moji and Kobe |
| KASHGAR | 9,005 | 3rd Sept. | Moji, Kobe and Yokohama |
| ST. ALBANS | 4,500 | 7th Sept. | Shanghai, Moji and Kobe |
| TALAMBA | 8,018 | 10th Sept. | Shanghai, Moji and Kobe |
| SHIRALA | 7,841 | 13th Sept. | Shanghai, Moji & Kobe |
| MOREA | 10,918 | 16th Sept. | Shanghai, Moji & Kobe |
| MANZAN | 7,023 | 20th Sept. | Shanghai, Moji & Kobe |
| KHYBER | 9,114 | 1st Oct. | Shanghai, Moji and Kobe |
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| MANTUA | 10,902 | 16th Oct. | Shanghai, Moji and Kobe |
| KARMALA | 9,123 | 29th Oct. | Shanghai, Moji and Kobe |
| DIVANHA | 8,155 | 30th Oct. | Shanghai, Moji and Kobe |
| TANDA | 6,965 | 2nd Nov. | Moji, Kobe, Osaka and Yokohama |
| MACEDONIA | 11,089 | 13th Nov. | Shanghai, Moji and Kobe |
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THE KOBE FREIGHT MARKET.

In contrast with the ocean trade the home section is quiet where conditions usually associated with the summer are at work in full. The only feature that shows 'hay activity' is Saghalien timber, on which Y125 is quoted. A reaction of 10 sen has taken place in coal rates at Y1.40 between Wakamatsu and Yokohama, Y1.45 in Wakamatsu-Isle and Y2 in Wakamatsu-Shanghai. Large ships on charter are discharged with the expiration of term. The outlook, however, is viewed with confidence. Arrangements for hold space in the ocean trade is in progress on a fair scale with loadings in autumn, when trade will be, it is predicted an improvement in the situation.

A London telegram reports active conditions on the Baltic Shipping Exchange. Coal is being imported in large quantities, reaching 1,200,000 tons in the first three weeks of the month. In May the import was a million ton and in June 1,300,000 tons. An increasing tonnage of wheat is coming from North and South America, and Australia to the Continent. Freightings are encouraging to shipowners. For coal between Hamiton Roads and the United Kingdom \$1 is required, and between Calcutta and Port Said 18s. 9d. For wheat between River Plate and United Kingdom 20s. is quoted and from North American Pacific to United Kingdom 32s. 6d.

Weather holds up the timber loading in Saghalien, where many vessels are waiting for normal conditions. As on the 20th instant 93 vessels were in operation, 36 on the west coast in Saghalien, 34 on the east, 12 in the harbour, 6 in Hokkaido, and 5 in the Maritime Province.

The periodical slackness is pronounced in the Kobe Shipping Exchange. The only feature in the market is Saghalien timber, which is being loaded on an active scale, but the freight is weak at Y120. The coal rate on the Wakamatsu-Yokohama section has touched Y1.40. However, conditions are growing better in the ocean trade, which is drawing large vessels from the home section, so that things are less discouraging to shipowners who operate vessels in the coastal trade. The outlook is viewed with confidence. In September there will be an improvement in the ocean section with the movement of sugar, influencing the coastal trade. An optimistic opinion is reflected in the active negotiation for foreign vessels on offer.

FREIGHT FOR LILY BULBS.

The Pacific Freight Conference has reduced its freight of lily bulbs from \$5 to \$7 per ton. The reduction applies to cases where no shipments have been given to other companies. A fine will be charged where exclusive business has not been given to the members of the Conference.

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SHIPPING STATISTICS.

According to the Kobe Shipping Exchange, on the 10th instant there were 579 non-conference ships with a total weight of 3,221,500 tons distributed in all sections of the freight market. As compared with the condition ruling month before there was a decrease in the South Seas section of 11 in number and 54,202 tons in weight owing to quietness in the rice and sugar trade. In the Australian section the figures increased by 6, which added 144,082 tons. The home section also showed an increase of 15 in number and 80,197 tons in weight. Particulars are given below:

| Section. | Number. | Tonnage. |
|--------------------------|---------|-----------|
| Europe | 18 | 155,588 |
| Pacific | 50 | 449,655 |
| Australia | 15 | 120,112 |
| South Seas & South China | 36 | 280,198 |
| Home | 307 | 1,781,477 |
| In dock | 22 | 137,071 |
| Laid up | 6 | 20,400 |
| Other | 325 | |

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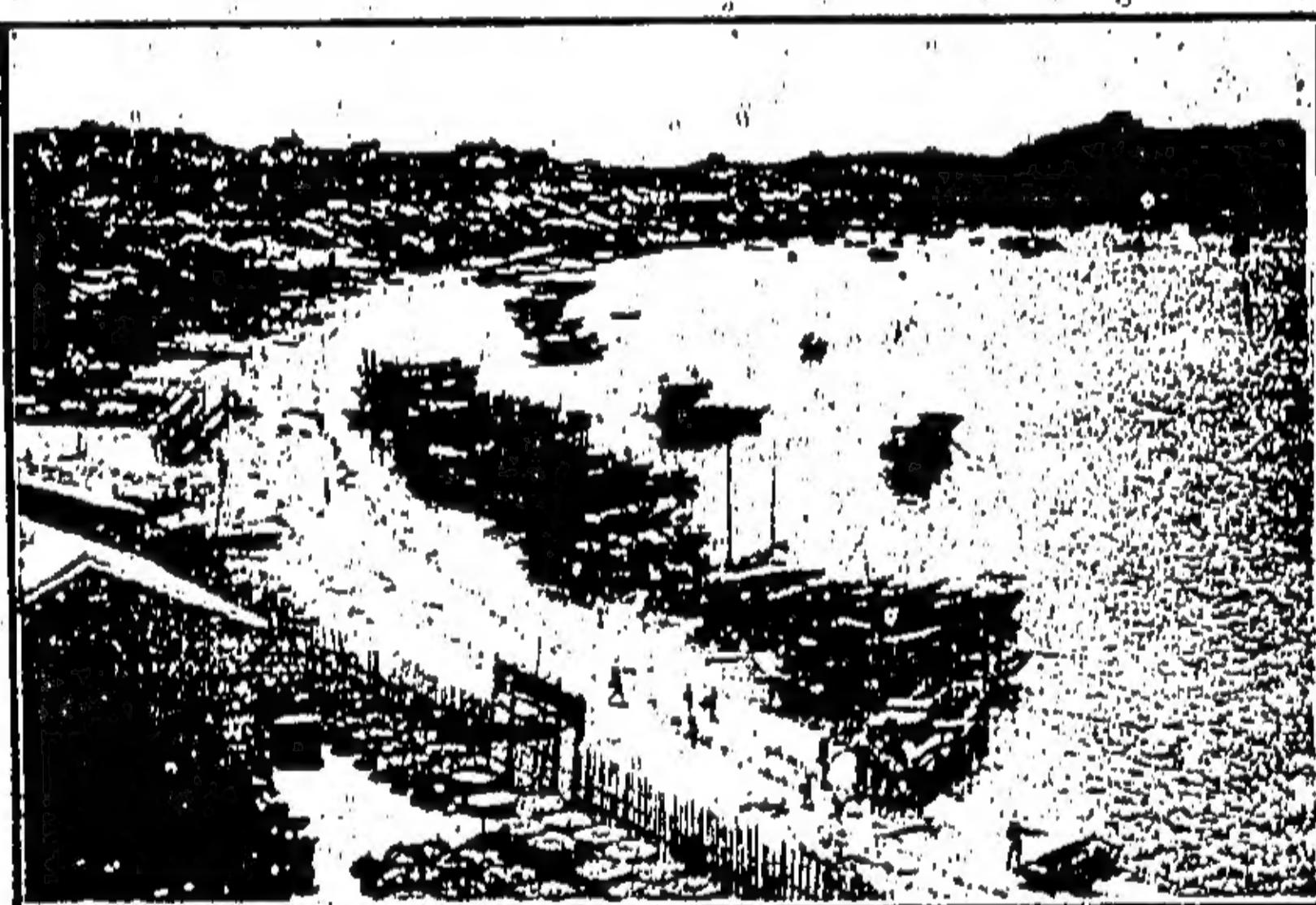
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BIRTHS.

LAYARD.—On August 3, at Colom-
bus, to Doris, wife of E. H. F.
Layard, a daughter.

TAYLOR.—On August 5, at The
Firs, Kandy, to Kitty, wife of
Gerard T. Taylor, East Holly-
wood, Talawakelle, a son.

MARRIAGE.

MACGREGOR.—STRIBLING.—The
wedding of F. B. MacGregor
and Florence Edith Stirling,
took place at Kandy on August
2.

Hongkong, Saturday, Aug. 21, 1926.

A SATURDAY CAUSERIE.

News of England's great Test
match victory was received in
Hongkong with suitable expres-
sion of pride and satisfaction al-
though not attended by such
jubilant outbursts which charac-
terised its reception at Home.
The tremendous interest taken in
the game was evidenced by the
constant telephonic requests to
the local newspaper offices to
"oblige us with the latest." Thus,
with the wireless news picked up
at the Naval Yard, brief cables
to certain local clubs and the re-
markable velocity with which
good news is spread through the
agency of those "in the know,"
the majority of cricket enthu-
siasts were "acquainted" with the
main facts before the tiffin
hour. Satisfaction at this justifi-
cation of England's proud
cricket record was only tempered
by the failure of its batting "tail"—
a "tail" which, however, con-
clusively demonstrated its bow-
ling capacity. The elements
favoured them in the condition of
the pitch—as our local Australian
friends have already reminded us—
but this is a factor which has
been in evidence in previous Test
matches, by no means always to
England's advantage.

After mutual recrimination for
two months and the evolving of
no scheme acceptable to both
parties, the mine-owners and men
met on Thursday when from the
speeches it would appear that
there was no divergence on either
side from attitudes previously
taken up—the mine-owners re-
iterating the statement that exten-
sion of hours is necessary for
the continuance of the industry
and their intention to take full
advantage of the Hours Act em-
powering them to come to terms
with separate districts willing to
work on an eight-hour basis. The
miners' representatives do not ap-
pear to have abandoned hope of
a Government loan to aid the in-
dustry pending completion of
schemes of reorganisation (in
spite of repeated assurances that
this cannot be countenanced by

the Government). Appeals by
the miners' leaders for a united
front have not proved strong
enough to prevent certain dis-
trict branches of the Miners' Federa-
tion from accepting purely
local agreements. In the mean-
time the Government does not
intend to intervene without a re-
quest from the parties and de-
velopments are not anticipated
until the re-assembly of the
House of Commons on August 30
for the purpose of confirming the
Emergency Regulations.

KALGAN'S FALL.

**ANOTHER SUCCESS FOR THE
ALLIES.**

Peking, August 20.
Telegraphing jointly, the allied
leaders, Chang Hsueh Liang and
Han Lin-chun, report that the
allied troops occupied Kalgan this
morning.

Yen Hsien states that the
Shanstates have taken Tatung
railway station also Hsunian,
Hualjin and several other places,
which the Kuominchun held re-
cently.

The general opinion in Peking is
that the Kuominchun main forces
have passed Tatung-fu en route to
Pingtchuan.—Reuter.

Cantonese Offensive.

Peking, Aug. 20.
It is stated that the Cantonese
offensive began immediately after
Chiang Kai-shek's arrival at
Changsha.

Finding it disadvantageous to
remain on the defensive, the
Northern commanders started a
counter-offensive.

Tang Seng-chi from Changsha
went towards Kulo.

It is expected Chiang Kai-shek
will remain at Changsha to direct
the entire operations.

Sun Chuan-fang's position in
Kiangsi continues the subject of
keen speculation locally. Tele-
grams from Nanking state that
he has requisitioned two China
Merchants' steamers for the
transportation of reinforcements,
but is said to be confident that
strategic reasons will prevent
the main Cantonese force from
invading the province. It is pre-
dicted that he will maintain his
policy of "Paoching anmin" or
"Armed neutrality."—Reuter.

A General Retreat.

Peking, Aug. 21.
The latest reports indicate that
the Kuominchun evacuated Kalgan
on Monday, whilst their forces at
Nankou and Hualai were previously
reduced to two and one brigades, respectively,
which were instructed to hold on
as long as possible.

Fengtien aeroplanes found
Kalgan undefended on Tues-
day, and the Fengtien ad-
vanced cavalry and artillery
reached Kalgan on Wednes-
day morning.

The Kuominchun successfully
removed all important military
stores.

According to semi-official re-
ports General Feng Yu-hsiang has
ordered a general retreat which
the majority of the Kuominchun
leaders deemed unwise, but dared
not oppose.—Reuter.

STREET BATTLE.

**TWO MEXICAN DEPUTIES
WOUNDED.**

Mexico City, August 20.
President Calles, replying to the
Archbishop's petition, said the
liberties sought were specifically
defined in the Constitution, which
he would obey till amended. He
was unable himself, owing to his
political convictions, to submit to
Congress a Bill for the modification
of religious laws, but he would not
hinder the efforts of the Epis-
copate, if the latter tried to secure
such an amendment.

Two Deputies have been mortally
wounded. Colonel Garcia was killed
and M. Garrido, the ex-Governor
of Tabasco, was wounded in the
course of a fierce street battle in
a fashionable quarter in town
yesterday at noon, as the result of
a political squabble over the ap-
portionment of seats in Congress.

About a score of Deputies parti-
cipated. They stood on opposite
sides of the road and fired across
in spite of the traffic. A woman in
a motor-car was wounded. Patrons
of an exclusive cafe stampeded
when the bullets whizzed through
the door and pedestrians fled to
safety.—Reuter.

A RUPTURE.

**CHILE AND BOLIVIA SEVER
RELATIONS.**

Santiago (Chile), Aug. 20.
A rupture of diplomatic rela-
tions between Chile and Bolivia is
imminent following on the Bolivian
Congress adopting a resolution
claiming the Antofagasta
Province which was ceded to Chile
by the 1904 treaty.—Reuter.

COAL CRISIS.

**GRAVE VIEW TAKEN OF
POSITION.**

A NEW CAMPAIGN.

London, August 20.

The Miners' Federation sat pri-
vately for three hours and agreed
to send the Government a verbatim
report of the proceedings of
yesterday's meeting with the
owners, after which the members
returned to their respective dis-
tricts.

The executive of the Miners'
Federation met in London. A
grave view is taken of the situa-
tion, and a member expressed the
opinion that the attitude of the
owners would prolong and embitter
the struggle. Far from dis-
integrating the Federation, it
would stiffen the backs of the rank
and file. He anticipated another
ten weeks' struggle.—Reuter.

Press Comment.

London, Aug. 19.

The "Times" in a leader says that
the coal owners' objections to a
national agreement on economic
grounds are not substantial, and
ought to be removed. "Here is the
first obvious contribution the coal
owners can make toward an agree-
ment."

The miners on their part
must be prepared to make concus-
sions in respect of wages and costs
of the industry required by the
circumstances of the industry."—
Reuter.

Cook's Campaign.

London, Aug. 20.

Mr. A. J. Cook, interviewed as
regards the reported break away of
miners from the Federation in
Notts and Derbyshire, said that a
campaign would be started imme-
diately in that area. "We have
no fear that the owners' move will
succeed there."

He declared that the movement
at Mansfield was unofficial and
referred only to the Belvoir
Colliery. Sixty thousand miners
were concerned in the Nottingham
area, of whom only half were mem-
bers of the Federation before the
stoppage, and the remainder had
joined the lot of the Federatio-
nists. The campaign will be directed
to maintaining this united front.—
Reuter.

More Tricking Back.

London, Aug. 20.

Reports are coming in of miners
tricking back to work all over
the country.

Four hundred men resumed at
Sherwood today, 600 at Cross
Farm, and 600 at Rufford. Hundreds
are signing on at Mansfield, and
many have resumed at Cannock
Chase.

It is early to determine whether
the new terms offered by individual
Companies in Notts and Derbyshire
will be accepted generally, but
scores signed on this morning, on
terms varying at different pits.
Most provide for the April wages
rate and 7½-hours' day with seven
monthly guarantees.

To-day there are 6,525 miners
working in Warwickshire compared
with 6,350 yesterday.—Reuter.

CONFERENCE REPORT.

Being Studied by Prime
Minister.

Rugby, Aug. 20.

The Miners' Federation Execu-
tive has communicated to the
Government a verbatim report of
the proceedings of their meeting
with the mine-owners at which an
attempt to re-open the negotia-
tions for a national settlement of
the coal dispute proved unsuc-
cessful.

The Prime Minister, who had
intended returning this afternoon
to his Worcestershire home prior
to leaving on Sunday for his holi-
day at Aix les Bains, decided to
remain in London in order to
study the plan.

It is stated that the miners'
leaders, after further meetings of
their Executive to-day in Lon-
don, dispersed to their districts,
and no immediate new negotia-
tions are in prospect.

Meanwhile the chief interest in
the coal situation is centred in the
areas where the men are showing
a desire to return to work in re-
sponse to local offers by the col-
liery owners. The members
affected by this movement are re-
lative small, but the develop-
ment is regarded as significant.

It is reported that 2,000 men
signed on for work in the Not-
tinghamshire and Derbyshire areas
to-day in pursuance of a local
agreement which is contrary to
the decision of the miners of the
national organisation, and pro-
vides for seven hours and a half
per day instead of seven hours.

In certain other coal fields the
steady drift back to work, which
has been going on for some time
past, continues; but in all the
larger areas, such as York-
shire, Lancashire, Northumber-
land, Durham, and South Wales
the pits are still idle.—British
Wireless Service.

MILL TROUBLES.

**STRIKERS THWARTED IN
SHANGHAI.**

Shanghai, Aug. 20.

Attempts of strikers at Japanese
mills to create trouble this
afternoon were averted by the
police. It was intended to march
on the Japanese Consulate, but
this did not materialise. The
agitators had planned a demon-
stration both in Nanking and
Whangpoo Roads—the Japanese
Consulate being situated in the
latter street. An attempt to

ON CHINESE WILLS.

Morality the Main Point Aimed At.

LIVING TO BE 100 YEARS OLD.

More of Autobiography Than Testament.

(By T. W. K.)
Morality, and not merely the disposition of wealth, is the main object of Chinese wills.

The purposes for which a will is made by a Chinese and by a foreigner are different. The foreigner's will is made solely for the purpose of legally disposing of his estate after death. The Chinese makes his will primarily to acquaint his sons and grandsons (who may still be in their infancy at the time of his death) with the manner in which he has lived; how he has made his fortune, if he be rich; how he expects his descendants to behave; and what accomplishments he expects them to achieve.

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Whether or not one may leave an estate to his sons and grandsons, he makes his will all the same. Where the testator is a man of literature, expectations are to see his will in the form of a thick volume, to be jealously preserved by the members of the family as a valuable classic.

However, in the will of a well-to-do person, there will be included instructions for the division of his estate amongst his sons and relatives. Very often a portion of the estate is devoted to donations to various charitable institutions; but in almost all cases, a portion of the residual estate is set aside as a sacrificial fund. The income from this is to be applied towards the payment of his descendants' expenses in their periodical ancestral worship during the Tsing Ming festival of each year.

Where the estate comprises leasehold property the setting aside of any portion thereof for sacrificial purposes is prohibited by British law, for the supposed reason that it tends to tie up the property indefinitely.

Getting Round the Law.

Owing to this prohibition, the setting aside in Chinese wills of leasehold properties in Hongkong (for sacrificial purposes) has given rise to many a law suit. Such cases have been known to linger for years, by which time the greater part of the estate has gone to the vaults of the lawyers engaged to work out a solution.

With the experience of beneficiaries of Chinese estates during the last two decades my countrymen now generally have their wills made by lawyers so as to avoid this kind of litigation between members of their families.

However, where the legal fees are considered too heavy, the wills are then made in Chinese in a form that is calculated to be legal by the so-called Chinese "law experts," and wills so made are practically all of the same wording. The following is a specimen of such a testament:

Polite "Form" of Death.

The maker of this will, A.B.C., on account of his getting old, and having contracted a serious illness, has considered it necessary now to make his will, which he hereby does, whereby he appoints his wife, X.Y.Z., (or son, a relative, or friend) as his executor or executrix, and he directs that when he attains his 100th year (this being a polite reference to death), the residue of his estate, consisting of . . . there is enumerated his properties, personal or immovable, after the payment of his funeral expenses and debts, is to be divided into so many shares, (in specific numbers) for his wife, sons, and so on, and that his descendants shall follow his instructions and that there shall be no disputes between them."

A Personal Note.

The will is then dated and signed by the testator and also by two attesting witnesses, as required by British law.

Such a will is merely an instrument to meet the local legal requirements for the disposal of an estate and the "moral" part of it is lacking.

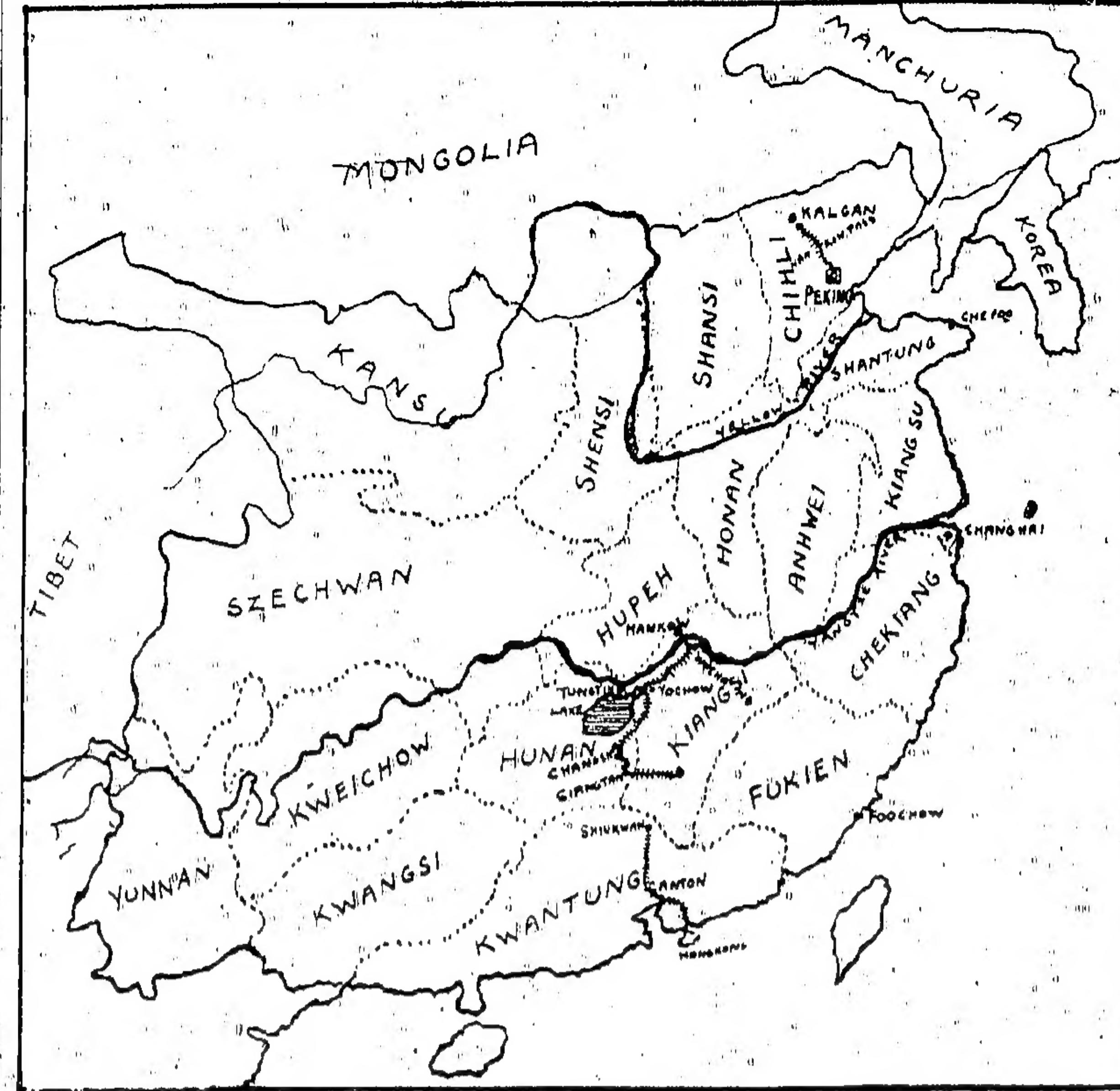
I pray that my countrymen "will adhere to the tradition of our forefathers, and make it a rule to prepare a will that may serve as classical guidance for the moral education of the younger generations of the family. This "classical" will may be so worded as to stand entirely separate from the "monetary" will that has to be proved in Court."

A Memorial of Re-entry by the Crown on New Kowloon Inland Lot. No. 998 has been registered according to law.

The cancellation of the Memorial of Re-entry on Inland Lot No. 2439 has been registered according to law.

CHINA'S WARS: A GUIDE TO THE POSITION OF CANTON TO-DAY.

How Europeans Can Cope with the Complications of Names and Places.



SKETCH MAP OF CHINA TO SHOW THE TERRITORIES CONTROLLED BY THE DIFFERENT Factions TO-DAY, AND TO ASSIST NON-CHINESE IN COMPREHENDING WAR TERMS WHICH CROP UP IN CABLES EVERY DAY.

In respect of the above map, and the accompanying notes, the reference to party means only the political party in ascendancy. There is no evidence that the people themselves are interested in the dispute.

Names of warlords are used also in the sense of denoting factions. In some provinces, the power is really in the hands of practically autonomous subordinates who profess—and have practically—loyalty towards their respective masters.

Only railways in actual fighting zones are shown.

CANTON'S DOMAINS.

Hongkong being in the south, the reader will best understand matters if a start is made from Canton, our nearest neighbour.

Kwangtung province is entirely Kuomintang, the political party now running the Nationalist Government at Canton. Kwangsi is dominated by Kwangtung and acknowledges Canton's rule.

More than half of Hunan province (i.e., the southern part up to Changsha and thereabouts) is held by General Tang Sang-chee, whose position is recognised by Canton.

General Chang Kai-shek, the Nationalist dictator, recently entered Hunan by proceeding up the railway from Canton to Shulin. This is the southern part of the Canton-Hankow line, which tried to establish a footing there.

Another Big Man. Kansu is at present of no importance although the tuchun has been waging war against a small section of the Kuomin-chun Army (see below) which tried to establish a foothold there.

A man whose name is constantly cropping up nowadays is Marshal Sun Chuan-fang. Adding to his power by rapid but judicious strokes within the last three years, he now rules five provinces along the central China seaboard. These are Chekiang (where Shanghai is), Kiangsu (to the north), Anhui (to the west), Fukien, and Kiangsi (to the south).

Where Differences Exist. Chekiang, Kiangsu, and Anhui are essentially Sun Chuan-fang. Fukien may be slightly less so, but doubt does not exist at present. In Kiangsi (nearest the southern war zone) conditions are somewhat different. The tuchun acknowledges Sun Chuan-fang. But his predecessor, who was driven out by the Marshal, still has a substantial following in the province. This expelled governor is reported to have been admitted into the Canton fold.

General Chang Kai-shek's desire to divert his expedition into Kiangsi—in preference to pushing north from Hunan—may have been influenced by the assumption that he will be assisted by those troops already in Kiangsi.

There is a rival to General Tang Sung-chee for the military government of Hunan. He is Chao Hsing-teh. A small army of his has a foothold in the northern part of Hunan. But there are several other generals who are on his side because his victory will mean a stout buffer state between Canton's ambitions and their own preserves.

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Masterly Inactivity. To-day Marshal Sun Chuan-fang is a powerful factor in national politics. Nominally he is pro-Wu. He has done nothing to show that he has renounced his old master. On the other hand, he has pursued a policy of masterly inactivity while everybody on the anti-Canton side is flourishing trumpets and brandishing swords.

With comparative peace in his five provinces he has so much to gain—earn is the better word—that even the glamour of success in subduing the south, for himself or for Wu Pei-fu, will hardly be worth the risk and expense. More territory, even if conquered, will make the area too cumbersome.

Chang Tso-lin. Szechuan is another province which has to be set down to Wu Pei-fu. The doubtful element enters in that the tuchun, rather than embark on any enterprise for others, Canton's claim to the

If necessary he will make gestures against Canton entering his territory. Further he may help Wu Pei-fu with munitions and, possibly, arms. It is difficult, however, to see him fighting as ac-

HUNGRY GHOSTS.

ABOUT THE LOCAL STREET JOSSING.

"OLO" CHINESE CUSTOM.

Have any non-Chinese in Hongkong been wondering what is behind the week of street worshiping this week?

As was explained last Saturday in the "China Mail," it is the season for burning offerings to departed souls. The money thrown at random is also intended for needy ghosts but is all picked up by the street urchins who dive into a rugger scrum to fight for the coins.

To-morrow is the 15th day of the 7th moon according to the old calendar, it being the Chung Yuan Chieh, the festival consecrated to the dead. Here is something on it by a recognised authority:

"On the 1st day of the 7th moon the gates of purgatory are opened, and the hungry ghosts troop forth to have a month of enjoyment of the good things provided them by their priests.

Amogha Not Buddha.

It is especially on the 15th day that liberal offerings of food are set out, paper money is burnt for the enrichment of the dead, and masses are said for the release of the unhappy ghosts.

"The festival itself is a Buddhist introduction due to Amogha; though the worship of ancestors did not originate in China with the coming of Buddhism.

"For foreigners this feast is often called 'All Souls' Day! The Chinese equivalent is Yu Lan, which also falls this season. It is the transliteration of a Sanskrit word."

Wanting the Lion's Share.

Yet another scribe, who writes of observations in North China, observes:

"The illiterate Chinese people never care to leave their homes on the evening of this day for fear of encountering one of these wandering ghosts. They stand in great dread of evil spirits, even of the spirits of their own ancestors."

Some of these hungry spirits are very rowdy, and when the people make offerings of food, they try to get the lion's share, or to get at the more delicious dishes by forcing the meeker spirits away. For this reason, we see in connection with the ceremonies and services for the feeding of the hungry spirits a long array of gods with ugly and ferocious faces being brought out in a procession.

Like Dante's Inferno.

These gods are taken out for the purpose of putting a check upon the rowdy spirits, so that a fairly even distribution of the good things provided may be made.

"In Shanghai, five gods attend to the distribution of food, their names being Sin Kong Chu, Kao Chang Chu, Say Pah Chu, Zing Chu, and Chang Sung Chu—all of them were natives of Shanghai according to Chinese tradition.

"The ceremony of feeding the hungry spirits is very interesting to watch. It was originated by Moe Lee, a disciple of Buddha, who saved his mother from Hades. He went through all the different regions, the narrative reminding one of Dante's Inferno. But that is another story."

It is notified that the Western Electric Company, Incorporated, of 195, Broadway, in the City, County and State of New York, United States of America, have by assignment become proprietors of Letter Patents Nos. 7 of 1924 and 6 of 1925.

Canton's Professed Allies.

The other side is the Kuomin-chun. Kuo Min, i.e. the two characters together, mean National. Chun means army. As tang means party, Kuomintang means Nationalist Party.

The Kuomin-chun's head is Feng Yu-hsiang, the Christian general, said to be anywhere between Moscow and Kalgan.

Kalgan is the headquarters of the Christian general's armies. Expelled from Peking, the Kuomin-chun re-assembled along the Mongolian frontier and this present campaign around Nankow is the result of an attempted "come back."

Hopes and Actual Facts.

Wu Pei-fu's alliance with Chang Tso-lin has meant genuine co-operation in the battlefield against the Kuomin-chun, so that the allies have a clear run from the Yangtze (in Hupeh) up to Manchuria.

Canton's hopes are that the Kuomin-chun will cut a way in between and be able to separate the Fengtienites and their allies from the anti-Canton side.

What of the prospects? Not even the star actors in this complicated drama of life and death can make a guess anywhere near the mark.

Suffice it to state that a complete rout for the Kuomin-chun will release Wu Pei-fu's allies and troops for the war in the south. This will mean a great superiority in strength on the side against Canton. The Kuomintang may even be threatened at home then,

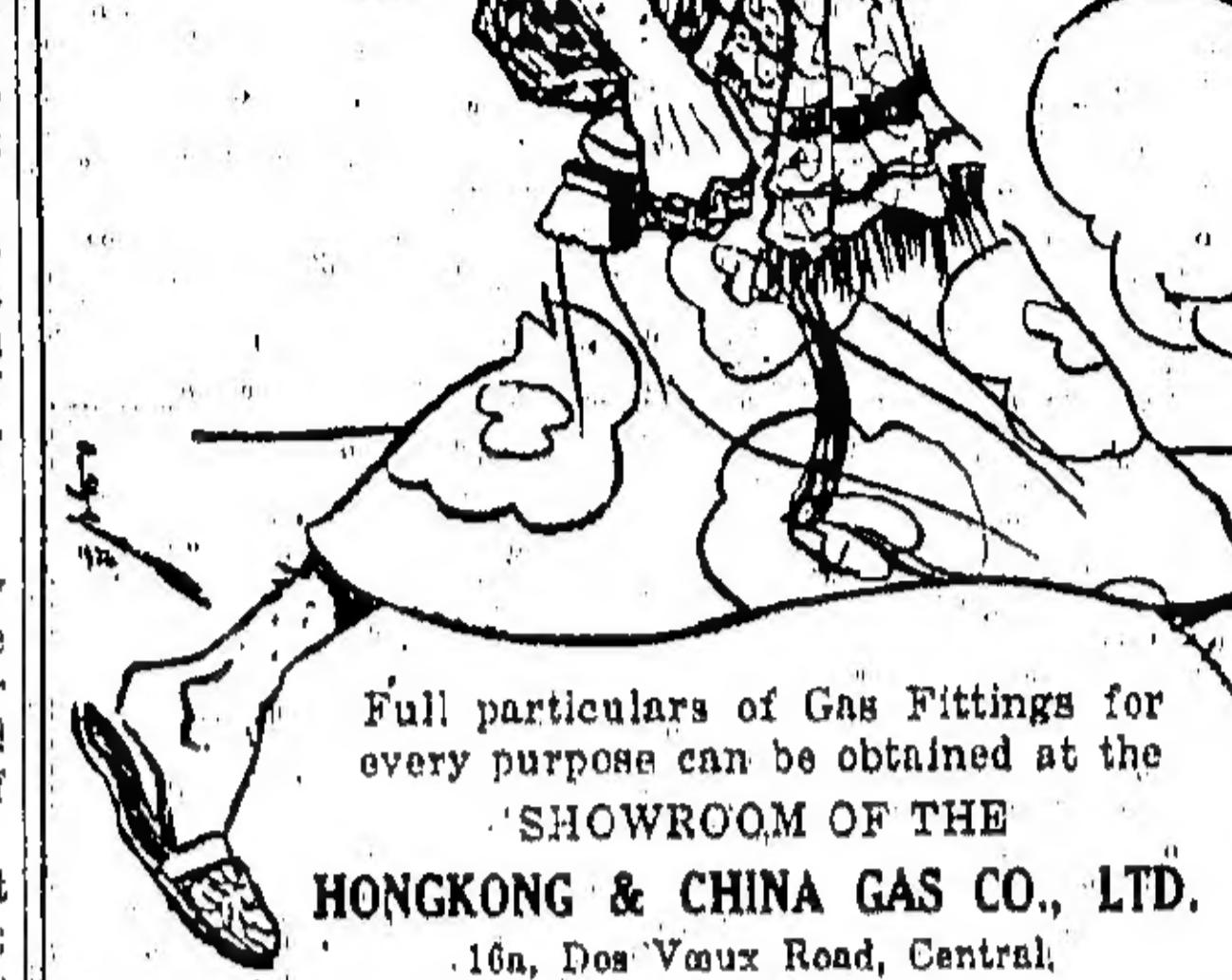
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LOCAL AND GENERAL NEWS.

House furniture will be auctioned by Messrs. Lammert Bros. at No. 4, Observatory Villas, Kowloon, at 2.45 p.m. next Thursday.

Another auction sale of household furniture in Kowloon is announced by Messrs. Lammert Bros. This is to take place at Nos. 6 and 7, Amai Villas (ground floors), Kimberley Road, at 2.45 p.m. next Friday.

Temperature of 93 degrees, in the shade, was recorded at Pakkai, the port of Kongmoon, on Monday. Last week there was a fairly heavy rainstorm which lasted 20 hours without a stop. — Our Own Correspondent.

Additional bus facilities for bathing parties are now provided by the Kowloon Motor Bus Company. The ordinary service to Laichikow between 3 to 7 p.m. on Saturdays and Sundays has been supplemented by extra vehicles specially for the purpose.

In answer to a protest from the City Council of Niagara Falls, where Sunday dancing is now permitted in one restaurant, the Attorney-General of Ontario, Mr. Nickle, states that "public dancing cannot be tolerated in a Canadian city on Sundays," and gives assurance that all such dances will be prohibited.

As from last Sunday, the city governor of Kongmoon, "enforced" the construction of modern roads. By this is meant, states the "China Mail" correspondent at Pakkai, that an order has been given to subordinates to start the laying out of thoroughfares which had been contemplated some time ago but left in abeyance.

A warning to wives who neglect to consult their husbands before visiting the hairdresser to have their hair shingled was given in a Paris Court. Madame Chaplin left home because she alleged that her husband insulted her after she had had her hair shingled. M. Chaplin obtained a deed of separation for desertion. The wife brought in a countersuit, but to-day judgment was given against her on the ground that "however, insulting the epithets used by the husband might have been, they were justified by the fact that the wife had her hair shingled without her husband's permission."

A Malay, Ismail, was fined \$25 in the District Court, Singapore, for exhibiting uncensored films. The films were exposed for sale in an auction room and were traced to the accused.

The mortality returns for the Island of Singapore for the week ending July 31, show a total of 322 deaths giving a mortality rate of 32.83. There was one cholera death but no plague or small-pox cases. Four European deaths were recorded.

A number of leopards, which were being transported through New York, escaped from their cages when passing through a suburb, and have fled into the woods. The militia has been called out to capture them. The people are panic-stricken.

Bills have been laid before the Austrian Parliament for the ratification of alterations to the existing tariff agreements with Czechoslovakia and with the Belgian-Luxembourg Customs Union. The proposed tariff alterations in the agreement with Holland have also been laid before Parliament.

Six of the men who were accused of manslaughter for having secreted a number of Arab stowaways in the ballast of the Sidi Ferruch, bound from Algeria to Marseilles, of whom 11 died from heat and suffocation, have been found guilty and sentenced to two years' imprisonment, 600/- fine, and to pay the costs of the case.

The arrival in Bogota, Colombia, of an official of the National City Bank of New York has given rise to the report that a substantial loan will be made to the Government after the inauguration of the new President. It is stated that the money will probably be used for financing public works and for railway construction.

It is reported by the Academy of Science in Leningrad that a geological expedition led by Professor Nenadkevitch along the banks of the River Amur, in Siberia, has discovered near Ust Kara, the skeleton of a mammoth, of great size and in excellent preservation. Steps are being taken to convey the entire skeleton to the Leningrad Zoological Museum.

There was a severe gale at Penang on August 11. Two junks were reported missing. Some of the crew, who were found floating in the open sea, were brought ashore.

According to reports from Leningrad the sealing season has been a great success. The herds were located by means of seaplanes, and altogether more than 200,000 seals were killed.

Five persons were killed seven injured at Heideheim, Wettberg, where an aeroplane which was giving an exhibition flight, badly landed and dashed into the spectators. The pilot escaped with slight injuries.

During tax collections at Teurenbungan, Achene, rebels stole on the bivouac of Captain Dehrens and a fight ensued. Three rebels were shot down. The Dutch losses were Lieutenant Molenaar killed, and three native privates slightly wounded.

The Imperial Merchant Service Guild states that both the captain and chief officer of the "Edith Cavell," who, after the stranding of their vessel last year, were arrested and lodged in jail at the convict settlement of Cayenne, have since died, without doubt as a result of their sufferings at that time. A claim has been lodged for compensation from the French Government.

News has reached Jamaica from the British Minister to Colombia that the captains and crews of two Cayman schooners who were apprehended off San Andreas nine months ago, for turtle poaching in the territorial waters of Colombia, have been released. They had been kept in prison pending legal proceedings, which ended in favour of their contention that they were fishing in neutral waters.

A Chinese woman in Penang was fined \$10 for driving a car without being in possession of a licence. The C.P.O., who prosecuted, stated that he was proceeding along Penang Road when he saw a car with a Selangor number zigzagging about in a dangerous manner. He drew abreast of the car and saw defendant at the wheel with the driver seated at her side. The woman pleaded guilty. The driver was fined \$50 for abatement of the offence.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL NEWS.

Dr. C. Bennett has been appointed resident physician and superintendent at the Shanghai General Hospital, succeeding to the post left vacant by the death of Dr. J. B. Fearey some months ago.

His Majesty the King has been graciously pleased to approve of Sir Hugh Clifford, G.C.M.G., G.B.E., Governor of Ceylon, being appointed Honorary Colonel of the Ceylon Garrison Artillery, Ceylon Defence Force.

Peking, August 12.—At to-day's meeting of the Cabinet it was decided to appoint General Chiang Yen-hsien as Acting Minister of War and Messrs. Wang Shih-ch'en, Chao Erh-tsun, and Sun Pao-chi as higher advisers to the Cabinet Office.

Sir Charles Wakefield, who is partly financing Cobham's flight, has made arrangements for the payment of an annuity of \$100 to the mother of the mechanic, Elliott, in recognition of the dead man's service and heroism in the cause of British aviation.

Montreal, August 14.—A formal denial was issued to-day of reports that Chief Justice William H. Taft was seriously ill. It was said that the change in climate was apparently having a beneficial effect on the Chief Justice and he was enjoying a long walk each day.

Shanghai, August 14.—M. J. Lemiere, well-known French lawyer practising in Shanghai, celebrated his 70th birthday a day or two ago. He was the recipient of many costly gifts, scrolls, etc., from his many friends both Foreign and Chinese. Hundreds attended the birthday dinner in Wing On's Hotel on Thursday evening in honour of the septuagenarian.

Manila, August 16.—Sunday was the 84th anniversary of the birth of Ebenezer Cook, prominent Manila resident, and to celebrate the event Mr. and Mrs. Cook were hosts at a small dinner party at their home, No. 305 Nebraska. Despite his years, Mr. Cook leads an unusually active life and always puts in a full day's work at his music studio in teaching. Mr. Cook is one of the two Civil war veterans living in the Philippine Islands.



Refused a visa to enter Britain or Ireland by the British Consul in Chicago, Mrs. Lola Lloyd sailed for France. She intended to enter Britain from there.

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| Chief Inspector John Ryder, from Tampin, takes Chief Inspector Doel's place at Ipoh headquarters. Mr. Doel has been transferred to Tampin, an Officer-in-Charge of that police district. Mr. Doel has served in Perak for twenty years. | |
| Stuttgart, Germany, August 9.—Marshal Mackensen, hero of one of the major offensives of the World War, was feted to-day by the population of this city when he arrived here to attend the wedding of his son. He is an old man now but he walks with the soldierly erectness of a youth. He seemed much gratified at the demonstration given him. | |
| Mr. W. R. Mowell, of Reuters' Far Eastern organisation, has arrived in Batavia from Shanghai. The object of his visit is to investigate trade conditions and to establish a service for the distribution of financial and commercial reports of the world markets in the Dutch East Indies. Mr. Mowell is expected to be in Java about a month and a half, and in the course of his stay he will also visit Semarang and Soerabaya. | |
| Washington, August 7.—President Coolidge explained at his Vermont farm yesterday that there could be no American recognition of the Soviet Government without a settlement of the debts of the latter. He added that if the debts and property rights were honoured the Soviet would be automatically recognised without conference. President Coolidge had not heard that the Soviet was making plans to recognise its debts. | |
| Amongst the passengers passing through Singapore on August 12 on the Dollar Liner "President Van Buren," from Hongkong to Marseilles, were Colonel Mala Magalhaes, who had retired from the Governorship of Macao, accompanied by his wife, daughter and A.D.C. They stayed on the steamer whilst she was in Singapore but were entertained at the Parsonage of the Portuguese Mission in Victoria Street, at which were also present the Portuguese Consul-General and Madame Ferreira. | |
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SPORTS SECTION

COUNTY "CRICKET."

LEADERS ALL DROP A FEW POINTS.

A CLOSE RACE.

In the latest batch of county cricket results there is only one definite conclusion.

Although the cables do not say so, it seems that rain interfered with play.

All the counties at the top dropped points. Yorkshire and Lancashire, the leaders, both took a first innings lead and remain in the running for the championship.

The remaining fixtures of the Ross County are:

Yorkshire v. Surrey at the Oval to-day, v. Sussex at Brighton, v. Glamorgan at Cardiff, v. Somerset at Taunton.

Lancashire v. Hants at Manchester, v. Northants at Blackpool, v. Notts at Manchester.

It will be seen that Lancashire are 2 points behind their rivals, but their remaining fixtures are all at home.

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CHANNEL SWIM.

HOW A 15 STONE LADY FAILED.

JELLY FISH BITE!

The following occurred before Gertrude Ederle swam the English Channel and gives an insight into the difficulties:

London, Aug. 3. Sudden fog seven miles from the French coast was the primary cause of Miss Barratt's failure. The fog was very dense for 11 hours and was considerably disquieting to the people, including an American nurse, in the motor boat which was accompanying, to whom passing vessels were audible, but not visible.

Once Miss Barratt was very much alarmed at the sudden appearance from out of the fog of cross-Channel mail boat, which the motor boat had difficulty in avoiding.

Miss Barratt was badly stung by a jelly fish. In the night her bearings were lost in the fog, and consequently her course was zigzag.

"Sorry I Have Failed."

Miss Barratt was considerably distressed towards the approach of dawn and slowed up her speed. She was fed throughout on tea, bananas, and oranges. She used the crawl stroke. When taken out owing to coldness and exhaustion, Miss Barratt was almost in tears.

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COWES REGATTA.

ROYALTY TAKES PART IN RACES.

THE KING'S YACHT.

London, Aug. 3. Cowes week opened in brilliant weather. There was a crowded and most fashionable attendance. The breeze was light and unfavourable for racing.

The King was on board the Britannia, which was second in the

DAVIS CUP.

JAPAN TO MEET FRANCE IN FINAL.

CHALLENGE ROUND.

Montreal, Aug. 20. In the final round of the (American zone, eliminating competition) Davis Cup lawn tennis tournament, Japan defeated Cuba.

Japan will meet France (winners of the European zone) in the inter-zone final, for the right of appearing in the challenge round, against the United States, whose team was announced yesterday. — Reuter's American Service.

handicap race for big yachts. The race was won by Lord Waring's White Heather.

The Crown Prince Olaf, of Norway steered the Oslo to victory in the Six-metre International.

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People and Events in the News of the World



Mr. W. P. Glover, Assistant Postmaster-General, greeted Major T. O. Freeman, pilot of the first plane of the new Boston-New York air mail line, on the plane's arrival at its southern destination.



Mrs. Grace Thompson Seton, writer and President of the American Penwomen, will be one of the two women on the expedition being sent by the Field Museum of Natural History into the wilds of South America to study native life and animals.



The best welcome Commander R. E. Byrd got when he returned to America after his flight over the North Pole was from his mother. "You haven't had any home cooking," she said, after she kissed him.



Scene at Montreal prior to the departure of the Encyclopedic Congress. In the centre are the Mayors of Montreal, Ville La Salle and Verdun.



Torpedoes, carrying malt and weighted so that only the top remained above water, were found on the schooner "Rosie M. B.," captured off Montauk Point, N.Y. They could have towed to port unseen.



The "war chest" of Senator William B. McKinley was to be investigated by the Senate committee probing primary campaign expenses. McKinley lost the Republican nomination for re-election from Illinois.



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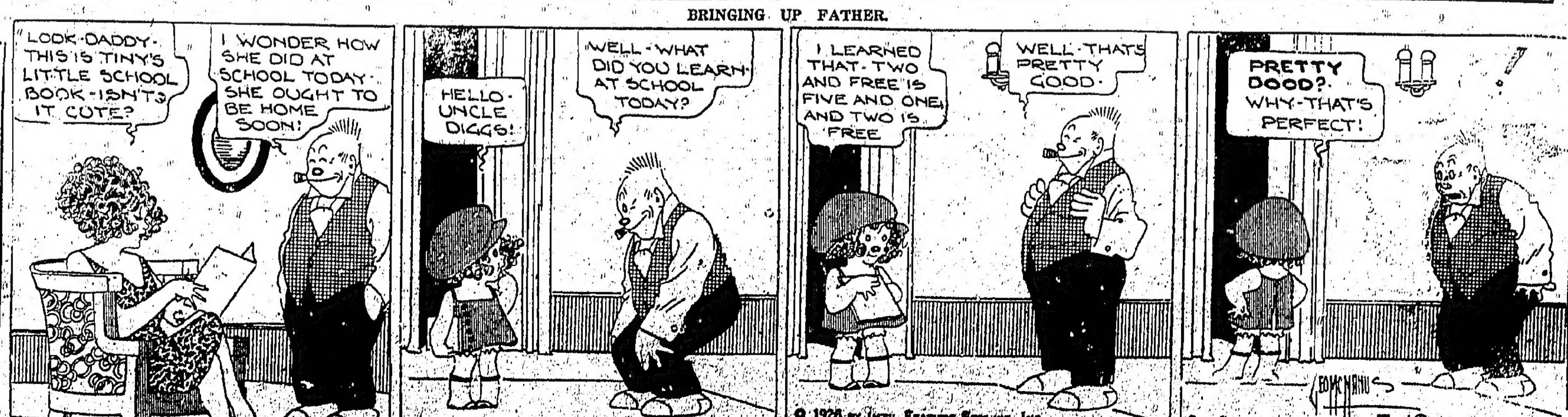
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Canada, U.S.A., Japan, Shanghai & London via Canada (London 24th July)..... Empress of Canada
Strait..... Kitano Maru
FRIDAY, AUGUST 27.
Manila..... Pres. Cleveland
SATURDAY, AUGUST 29.
Japan..... Fushimi Maru
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U.S.A. Honolulu, Japan & Shanghai..... Shinjo Maru
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 2.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai..... Pres. Pieros

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FOR
SATURDAY, AUGUST 21.
Wing Wo..... 2 p.m.
Torkin..... 2.30 p.m.
Tjikrangs..... 2.30 p.m.
Teleacabus..... 5 p.m.
Pembrokekibin..... 5 p.m.
Mingyang..... 5 p.m.
SUNDAY, AUGUST 22.
Suiyao..... 5 p.m.
Swatoe, Amoy and Formosa..... Kaijo Maru..... 8 a.m.
MONDAY, AUGUST 23.
Bangkok..... Rianguo..... 10.30 a.m.
Strait, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, S.E. Africa, Egypt, & Europe via Marseilles due to
Marseilles 19th Sept. Parcels 9 a.m.
Registration 1.45 p.m. Letters 2.30 p.m.
Amoy.....
TUESDAY, AUGUST 24.
Shanghai, Japan, China, U.S.A., C. & S. America & EUROPE via SAN FRANCISCO due San Francisco 17th Sept. Registration 9.45 a.m. Letters 10.30 a.m.
Shanghai and Japan.....
Amoy and Foochow.....
Banckoo.....
Burma, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa, Egypt & Europe via Marseilles due Marseilles 2nd & 3rd Sept. Registration 1.45 p.m. Letters 2.30 p.m.
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 25.
Swatoe, Amoy and Formosa.....
Shanghai.....
Strait and Calcutta (Parcels Now Letter 1 p.m.)
Shanghai.....
Amoy.....
THURSDAY, AUGUST 26.
Hollow and Haiphong.....
Manila, Sandakan, AUSTRALIA and New Zealand via Thursday Island due Thursday Island 11th Sept. Parcels 5 p.m. Registration 6 p.m. Letters (27th Aug) 8.30 a.m.
FRIDAY, AUGUST 27.
Tanda.....
Kwangchow..... 10.30 a.m.
Shanghai..... 5 p.m.

*Correspondence bearing vessel's name only.

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TREATED UNFAIRLY.

U.S. AMBASSADOR AND WAR DEBTS.

BRITAIN'S FEELING.

New York, Aug. 20. The "New York World's" correspondent in Washington declares that the chief reason for the reported return of Mr. A. E. Houghton, the U.S. Ambassador to Great Britain, to America, is to discuss the debt situation with a view to obtaining a modification of the debt agreements in order to pacify the growing opposition in European nations.

The correspondent adds that whilst Mr. Houghton does not favour immediate yielding to the clamour of the debtors, he is convinced that the time is not distant when the debt settlements must be revised, especially that with the British who he says, may be willing to adhere to the agreement but feel that they have been treated unfairly since greater concessions have been made to others.—Reuter.

An Evasion. Washington, Aug. 20. The State Department officials were unaware that Mr. Houghton, who is holidaying in Scotland, is returning to America, but remarked that it was the vacation season.—Reuter.

BIG BATTALIONS.

LEAD TO MUTUAL DISTRUST AND FEAR.

London, August 20. The papers give prominence to Mr. Kellogg's speech at Plattsburgh, and reciprocate the expressions of goodwill.

The "Morning Post" quotes Mr. Kellogg as saying that competition in armaments leads to mutual distrust and fear. The "Post" says it is the other way round, and therefore the inducement to create armaments must be removed by means of an amicable agreement, which it points out is being pursued in the Balkans, whereas, it declares, deliberations by a Sub-Committee of the League's Disarmament Committee produce deplorable differences of opinion.

The "Daily Chronicle" says that it is evident that Mr. Kellogg wished to combat obstructionism with regard to certain Continental Powers by the weapon of publicity. The "Chronicle" hopes that Britain will help him in the matter.—Reuter.

If Geneva Fails.

New York, Aug. 20. "The United States is to call her own parley on arms if Geneva fails" is the head line to a "New York World" dispatch from its special correspondent at President Coolidge's camp.

The correspondent claims that President Coolidge intends to proceed further with naval limitations whether the League of Nations is successful or unsuccessful.

He states that Mr. Kellogg hinted at this in his Plattsburgh speech. The writer claims that this statement of President Coolidge's intentions is the first concrete information since the inception of the League discussions and that President Coolidge is merely keeping in abeyance his own disarmament programme which he is ready to revive if the League wavers.—Reuter.

WHEAT POOL.

WORK FOR NEXT WORLD CONFERENCE.

Winnipeg, August 20. The representatives of the Canadian wheat pools in the United States, wheat growing organisations, as a provisional committee, have selected Kansas City, Missouri, for the international conference on wheat pools on March 16, 1927, when a definite plan for a world-wide wheat pool will be submitted. Representatives will be invited from Australia, Argentina, India and Russia.

The conference will discuss inter alia the organisation of a news service giving dependable information regarding world-wide crop conditions.—Reuter's American Service.

STALE BREAD.

MUST BE POPULARISED IN FRANCE.

PROFITEERS WARNED.

Paris, Aug. 20. Decrees prescribe the furnishing of returns of all areas under wheat, an estimate of the yields, control of cereal movements, and existing stocks of grain.

The Cabinet has prepared a general plan of economy. It has decided to control the sales of commodities and improve the system of supply and working of the public provision markets.

Stale bread must be popularised, and meals in restaurants must be limited to two courses. Profiteers will be prosecuted.—Reuter.

TRADE LOAN.

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The trade loan is hereby charged upon and shall be payable out of the general revenues and assets of the Colony of Hongkong.

The Governor shall appropriate out of the general revenue and assets of the Colony such sums as may be necessary to provide for all payments of interest and repayment of principal moneys required by the terms of the agreements under which the respective principal moneys were or shall be borrowed.

All principal moneys acknowledged by the Secretary of State as coming within the provisions of this Ordinance, as provided in section 2, and all interest received by the Government of the Colony of Hongkong on loans made for the purposes referred to in the preamble to this Ordinance, and all principal moneys received by the Government of the Colony of Hongkong upon the repayment on recovery of such loans by the Government, shall be, and shall be deemed always to have been, exempt from the defence contribution provided for by the Defence Contribution Ordinance, 1901, and all such principal moneys and interest hitherto received or appropriated by the said Government, or hereafter to be received or appropriated by the said Government, shall be deducted from the Colonial revenues before the calculation of the sums payable to His Majesty's Government under the said Ordinance.

The "Morning Post" quotes Mr. Kellogg as saying that competition in armaments leads to mutual distrust and fear. The "Post" says it is the other way round, and therefore the inducement to create armaments must be removed by means of an amicable agreement, which it points out is being pursued in the Balkans, whereas, it declares, deliberations by a Sub-Committee of the League's Disarmament Committee produce deplorable differences of opinion.

The "Daily Chronicle" says that it is evident that Mr. Kellogg wished to combat obstructionism with regard to certain Continental Powers by the weapon of publicity. The "Chronicle" hopes that Britain will help him in the matter.—Reuter.

If Geneva Fails.

New York, Aug. 20. "The United States is to call her own parley on arms if Geneva fails" is the head line to a "New York World" dispatch from its special correspondent at President Coolidge's camp.

The correspondent claims that President Coolidge intends to proceed further with naval limitations whether the League of Nations is successful or unsuccessful.

He states that Mr. Kellogg hinted at this in his Plattsburgh speech.

The writer claims that this statement of President Coolidge's intentions is the first concrete information since the inception of the League discussions and that President Coolidge is merely keeping in abeyance his own disarmament programme which he is ready to revive if the League wavers.—Reuter.

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SUBMARINE LOSS.

MISINTERPRETATION OF AN ORDER.

NOBODY TO BLAME.

Paris, Aug. 20. At the inquest at Devonport on the victims of the Submarine H29 disaster two officers gave evidence of ordering water to be taken in to trim the vessel.

The Chief Stoker misinterpreted the order and flooded the tanks.

The jury found that the men died of suffocation due to the foundering of the submarine which was the result of misconception of an order.

The Coroner said that it was impossible to blame anyone for the mistake.—Reuter.

Reason For Order.

Rugby, Aug. 20. The inquest on the six men who lost their lives owing to the foundering in Devonport Dockyard of Submarine H29 revealed that the disaster was due to the flooding of the ballast tanks owing to a misconception of an order.

The evidence showed that it was intended to admit sufficient water to the ballast tanks to put the hull down a few feet more in the water for the purpose of carrying out certain tests, but owing to a misunderstanding so much was allowed to flow in that the vessel remained submerged until the water rushed in through the open hatchways and caused her to sink with great rapidity.—British Wireless Service.

TANGIER.

FRANCE AND THE SPANISH CLAIMS.

Paris, Aug. 20. Many of the papers are dealing with the question of Tangier.

The "Petit Parisien" thinks it reasonable to wait for Spain to give her aspiration some concrete form before one should express an opinion. The paper adds that Franco-Spanish co-operation in Morocco yielded too satisfactory results not to consider her re-consideration as to her greatest willingness in the matter.

The "Journal" says that Madrid's arguments do not lack logic, and that the Spanish claims do not affect France's essential interests.

The "Matin" states that the French Government stands by the letter of the Treaties and that Tangier's statute can be revised only by the Powers who drafted it.—Havas.

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